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“Shall We Leave the Church?”

Many people today are leaving the church. Not only are people leaving mainline denominations, but many are leaving the churches of Christ. Some are dropping out of any form of religious practice. Others are going to various independent community churches that fit their particular needs and preferences. In the midst of a consumerist society where people vote with their feet, should we consider leaving the church of Christ?

The church of Christ is that which Christ established. He said, "I will build my church." The church of Christ is not only the redeemed people of Christ, but the perfect plan of God for his redeemed people. In the New Testament, it is described as the church of God, the church of Christ, the church of the firstborn ones, the body of Christ, and the household of God. Its members are described as disciples, believers, Christians, followers of the Way, and members of the body. The New Testament knows of only one church. So, shall we leave the church of Christ?

To leave the church of Christ is to leave those who follow Christ as King. When Peter confessed Jesus to be the Christ, he was saying that Jesus is the one whom God has made king over all. It is on this fact that the church is founded, the fact of Christ's kingship. The Pentecost sermon ended with the assertion that Jesus is "Lord and Christ." If Jesus is master and king, then all who submit their lives to him comprise his church. To leave the church is to depart from the lordship and kingship of Jesus.

To leave the church of Christ is to leave the people saved by Christ's redemptive work. When people in the New Testament were saved through faith, repentance, and baptism in the name of Jesus, they were added by Christ to his church (Acts 2:41,47). To be saved is to become part of the church. To leave the church is to leave the saved and re-enter the realm of the lost.

To leave the church of Christ is to leave the beloved bride of Christ for whom Christ died. Paul said that Jesus "loved the church and gave himself up for her." Paul said that Christ died so that he might "cleanse the church through the washing of water with the word." Leaving the church means leaving the love of Christ. It means leaving the group for

Today's Worship

Elder's Welcome

193 Crown Him with Many Crowns

365 How Beautiful

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195 Behold the Lamb

Prayer

379 If That Isn't Love

49s More Like You

Lord's Supper

845 Gentle Shepherd

Giving to the Lord

30s Knowing You

Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-22

Lesson: "Shall We Leave the Church?"

950 Come, Ye Disconsolate

Additional Announcements

Closing Prayer

which Christ died. It means leaving the cleansing of Christ. If Christ died for the church and I am not in the church, where does that leave me?

To leave the church of Christ is to separate oneself from those purchased by his blood. Acts 20:28 says that elders shepherd the church of God, "which he purchased with his own blood." When man was enslaved to sin and Satan, Christ paid the ransom with his blood. He "purchased unto God with his blood men of every tribe, tongue, people, and nation, and made them to be a kingdom and priests unto God and they reign upon the earth," (Revelation 5:9). If we leave the church we leave the kingdom of Christ, the priesthood of Christ, and the redemptive blood of Christ.

To leave the church of Christ is to leave the body and disconnect from the head. Jesus is the head of the church, which is his body. He is the Savior of the church (Ephesians

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The Broadway church exists to glorify God, to reflect the character and teachings of Christ, to carry out the Great Commission, and do all in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

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1:22-23; 5:23). When the head is severed from the body, instant death follows. Any member severed from the body, dies immediately. There is no spiritual life apart from the body of Christ, the church of Christ.

To leave the church of Christ is to leave the plan of Christ. The church is not only the saved people of Christ, but the perfect divine plan for those people left to us in the New Testament. The church is defined and described and ordered by Christ and his apostles. It has specific, identifiable characteristics. The people of Christ are imperfect, but the plan of Christ is perfect. We not only leave God's people when we leave the church, but we depart from his eternal plan.

God does not allow his people to leave his church. It is in the church that all lost people may be reconciled to God through the cross. True Christians never leave the church of Christ. They work for its growth and progress. They encourage fellow members to be directed by the Head. We cannot leave God's church and be saved.

Dan

Welcome to Broadway Church of Christ

All Members and Visitors:
Please sign the Membership Attendance Sheet which you will find on a clipboard at the end of your pew.

Visitors:
Please fill out a visitors card which you will find on the back of the pew in front of you, and place it in the collection plate. We invite you to stay for Bible Class and let us get to know you!

Members:
Please put any changes in your family's info on the Membership Attendance Sheet.

Remember In Your Prayers

Continue to pray for . . .
. . . Courtney Crowe, who is making improvement since his surgery.
. . . Elizabeth Price, who is coping with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome.
. . . Jody Smith.
. . . all of our cancer patients: Don Spencer, Trudy Helton, Wilda Morton, & Martha Robinson.

Our sympathy to Harry and Lula Buford and all their family at the passing of their daughter-in-law, Carol Buford, Monday, July 5. A Celebration of Life service was held on Friday.

Sunday Evening Worship will be held in the Fellowship Hall
Speaker: Dan Owen

Bread of Life Humanitarian Effort

We are collecting items this quarter for School Supply Kits. Items in the kit are:

Spiral notebooks, loose-leaf paper, children's school scissors, school glue, crayons (8, 16, or 24 count), rulers, erasers, pencils, pencil boxes

Please leave your donations in the basket in the foyer.

This Week at a Glance July 11-17

Today - Children's Worship Ages 2-6 Evening Worship, 6 pm
Tue. - Senior Seekers Meeting, 2 pm Medco Nursing Home Devo, 6:30 pm
Wed. - Bible Class, 7 pm



harvest update

Summer Break is short. Too short! The Broadway church is busy. VBS created a whirlwind of activity. Life Groups are continuing to meet and serve. Families are trying to spend time together and vacation. The Youth Group is very active and working at the Navajo nation in Arizona. Hang in there. We will be back to school before you know it.

Area-Wide Gospel Meeting

July 25-27, 7:00 pm
Singing begins at 6:15

The Carson Center

Speaker: Keith Parker

"Jesus Christ - the Same Yesterday, Today, & Forever"
Song Leader: Todd Walker

Global Preacher Training:
Now on summer break until August 9, 2010
Check out [globalpreachertraining.com!](http://globalpreachertraining.com)



Broadway Kids Ministry

"Power Projects"

The students at VBS 2010 participated in service projects to benefit other people instead of making crafts to take home for themselves. They created Birthday Party Boxes which were donated to the spouse abuse center, made chocolate-dipped pretzels for our city police officers, and hand tied blankets to be given to children served by the Navajo Nation mission trip. They also filled care packages which will soon be mailed to soldiers overseas. Our VBS Kids are heroic helpers!

Attention Moms with Babies:

An area for nursing babies and a table for changing diapers is now available for you to use at any time. It is located in Room 101N, the first room on the left as you go down the toddler classroom hallway. And for dads, another diaper changing table is located in the men's bathroom.

Congratulations

to Grace and Aaron Dalla on the birth of their daughter Rozalyne Zaye
Friday, July 2, 4:00 pm
8lb. 8 oz., 20 in. long
Elijah, Mackenzey, and Savannah are the proud big brother and sisters

S.I.S.T.E.R.'S

July Schedule

Chair: Gayle Holifield 442-6492
217-251-0634 cell

Servants: Kim Rommelman, Janice Bryan, Norma Evitts, Donna Hadfield, Susan Mullen, Gloranna Reynolds, Luanne Shelton, Cookie Adams, Jennifer Pegram

Senior Seekers' Space

Senior Seekers' Meeting

Tuesday, July 13,
at 2 pm in FLC5
Speaker: Tommy Thompson
Topic: "You May Be Surprised Who You Discover"

*You are cordially invited to a
Bridal Shower honoring
Kevin Hertter & Jamie Jacobs
Today, July 11, 1:30-3:00
at Lone Oak Church of Christ.*

Together with their parents, Adrienne Dawn Standridge

and

Ryan Adam Hayden

*request the pleasure of your
company at the celebration
of their union,
Saturday, July 17, 2:30 pm
at Rosebower Baptist Church
1120 Tyree Road
Paducah, Kentucky*

You are cordially invited to a
Baby Shower honoring
Shera and Derek Miller
Sunday, July 18, 2:00-3:30
in the Reception Room.
Registered at Toys-R-Us
It's a Boy!

Upcoming Events

August 1 - Bridal shower for
Adrienne & Ryan Hayden
August 14 - Rachel Enlow & Jason
Mackey wedding
August 21 - Bridal shower for
Rebecca Davis & Jared Dunn
September 11 - Bridal shower for
Johnna Morris & Blake Coursey
September 18 - Mugs & Muffins

BYG

Life Groups meet Tonight!

CONNECT & GROW

All of our teenagers not attending a Life Group with their parents are encouraged to attend. Good food and great fellowship are provided. Invite a friend!!!
High school - Rommelman home
Middle school - BYG room

Participants in the Navajo Nation Mission Trip plan to return this evening. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel home.

Mark Your Calendar

WKYC

GROW & DEVOTE

July 18-23

Six Flags

REACH & CONNECT

July 26

Clay Pits

REACH & CONNECT

July 27

Upcoming Events:

Fall Retreat

October 22-24

Servant Saturday

Celebration

November 5-7

Our youth ministry exists to Reach non-believing teens, to Connect them with Christians, to help them Grow in their faith, challenge them to discover their ministry by Serving others, and Devote their lives to God.

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 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Bible Study 10:45 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

Missions

Nashville Inner City - Lytle Thomas
 Sorocaba, Brazil - John Pennisi - jpennisi@terra.com.br
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 Bread of Life Humanitarian Effort
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 Dubai, UAE - Phillip Ganta - oasis@usa.net
 Gorlovka, Ukraine - Terry Harmon
 Milan, Italy - Lewis Short short@milanoteam.org

Valet Parking

Sunday a.m. 9:00 - 9:25; p.m. 5:40 - 5:55
 Wednesday p.m. 6:40 - 6:55

2's and 3's Children's Worship Teachers

Sunday, July 11, 2010

2's - Vickie Davis, Carol Parker, Grant Hammons
 3's - Neesha Sherril, Danielle McAfee, Sheila Kester

Those Privileged to Serve Today

July 11, 2010

Pray	Bill Bailey
Table Prayer	Antoine Hutcheson
Scripture	Derek Boyles
Announcements	Chad Kerley
Closing Prayer	Zach Perry

Those privileged to Serve Communion in July

Grant Gagnon	Shawn Washer
Paul Ludovissie	Nathan Foster
Jordan Ludovissie	Tom Hargrove
Tom Clayton	Kemble Smith
Ben Clayton	Leo Green
Brandon Morgan	Mason Watkins

Balcony

John Farr	Mike Price
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July 2010

18 Jennifer Taylor	21 Kurt Fryberger
19 McKenzie Davidson	21 Davis Rowton
19 Hunter Love	21 Cindy Bippert
19 T.J. Oliver	22 Bernice Wilferd
19 Anne Stovall	22 Norma Evitts
20 Dean Conyer	23 Rachel Enlow
21 Ryan Allbritten	23 Loetta Givens
	24 Marcia Lampley

Service Date - July 18, 2010

Glad to Meet You

Team Leader: Vernon Shanks and Monte Rommelman

Audio/Video Operators: Stan Allen and Jason Enlow

Communion Preparation: Sonja Skibinski

Nursery Staff for July

A.M.	P.M.
Janice Bryan	Esther Etheridge
Carol Parker	

July Van Driver needed - call church office

If you are unable to serve, call:

Those to serve: Jim Farris 554-5193, Jim McAfee 908-0128, or
 Bob Gibb 444-8312

Nursery: Marilyn Simpson 444-7333 or Pam Clausen 554-7704

Van Drivers:

Communion preparers: Bill & Elizabeth Bradford 898-2682

For the Record

Morning Worship	419
Bible Study	NA
Evening Worship	99
Wednesday Evening	148
Contribution	\$16,926

DEACONS

Kyle Allbritten	Mark Hall	Buddy Lewis	Steve Meiners	Hollas Reynolds
Phillip Barnett	Mark Hammons	John Losher	Mike Moore	Monte Rommelman
Bill Bradford	Antoine Hutcheson	Jim McAfee	Chuck Mullen	Vernon Shanks
Steve Davis	Todd Isenberg		Lee Powell	Jim Smith
Paul Hadfield				Craig Wisner